

Remarks/Arguments

Applicants hereby provisionally elect the species defined in Claims 1-10, and 17-23 and linking Claim 16 for examination without traverse. Applicants hereby provisionally withdraw the species defined in Claims 12-15 and 24-33 from further consideration. However, should linking Claim 16 be found to be held allowable, withdrawn claims depending from, or otherwise including all the limitations of an allowable linking claim, will be entitled to examination in the instant application in accordance with the provisions of MPEP §809.03. In addition, Applicants explicitly reserve to prosecute the claims to the unelected species at a later date.

Conclusion

Applicant respectfully submits that the present application is now in condition for examination on the merits, which action is courteously requested. The Examiner is invited and encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney of record if such contact will facilitate an efficient examination and allowance of the application.

Respectfully yours,



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